--- 10 Cigars - Series “A” - 44 x 29 mm. design - scanned at 100% scale ---

--- recess printed on thin wove paper, with an indistinct *vertical* mesh ---

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The catalogue lists the recess printed ten cigar Series “A” black stamps as follows:

RG-604 - 10 cigars, black, coarse roulette, on vertical mesh wove - 4½ mm blue control numbers
RG-605† - 10 cigars, black, *fine roulette*, on vertical mesh wove - 4½ mm blue control numbers - **WANTED!**
RG-606 - 10 cigars, black, perforated 12, on vertical mesh wove - 4½ mm blue control numbers

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--- RG-606 - perforated 12 - with 4½ mm. *blue control numbering* ---

★**RG-606** - 10 cigars, black, perforated 12, control number **2136938**,
coded 7 1926 / 2-23-D by “Empire Tobacco”, Granby, P.Q., in July 1926

0142333		RG-606		10 cigars, perf 12, by “Tuckett Tobacco”, Montreal - 5-10-D
0523613		RG-606		10 cigars, perf 12, by “H. Sauvageau”, Montreal - 12-10-D
0709167★		11/25	RG-606	10 cigars, perf 12, by “Empire Tobacco”, Granby - 11 1925 / 2-23-D
1264794		RG-606		10 cigars, perf 12, by “L.O. Grothe”, Montreal - 2-10-D
1360963		RG-606		10 cigars, perf 12, by “Jose Granda”, Montreal - 7-10-D
1372508		RG-606		10 cigars, perf 12, by “La Desiderata”, Montreal - 8-10-D
1564131		RG-606		10 cigars, perf 12, by “L.O. Grothe”, Montreal - 2-10-D
1965314	06/26	RG-606		10 cigars, perf 12, by “Empire Tobacco”, Granby - 6 1926 / 2-23-D
2136938★	07/26	RG-606		10 cigars, perf 12, by “Empire Tobacco”, Granby - 7 1926 / 2-23-D
2302673	08/26	RG-606		10 cigars, perf 12, by “Empire Tobacco”, Granby - 8 1926 / 2-23-D
2319093 ★	08/26	RG-606	**	10 cigars, perf 12, on a cardboard slide-box of **Columbia - Cigarros - Speciales** by “Empire Tobacco”, Granby - stamp is cancelled 8 1926 / 2-23-D
2879420		RG-606		10 cigars, perf 12, by “General Cigars”, Montreal - 6-10-D
2960217		RG-606		10 cigars, perf 12, by “General Cigars”, Montreal - 6-10-D
2962555 ○		RG-606		10 cigars, perf 12, by “General Cigars”, Montreal - 6-10-D
3020376		RG-606		10 cigars, perf 12, by “General Cigars”, Montreal - 6-10-D
3114314		RG-606		10 cigars, perf 12, rollered 38 - 10 - D
3236264		RG-606		10 cigars, perf 12, by “General Cigars”, Montreal - 6-10-D
3254767		RG-606		10 cigars, perf 12, with an unreadable roller cancellation
3357234		RG-606		10 cigars, perf 12, by “Tuckett Tobacco”, Montreal - 5-10-D
3504496★	12/26	RG-606		10 cigars, perf 12, by “Empire Tobacco”, Granby - 12 1926 / 2-23-D
3968863		RG-606		10 cigars, perf 12, by “L.O. Grothe”, Montreal - 2-10-D

The coarse roulette copies of the ten cigar, **RG-604**, on the following page, appear to have been issued subsequent to the above listed, perforated, **RG-606**.

--- RG-604 - *coarse roulette* - with 4½ mm. *blue control numbering* ---

★**RG-604 SP** - 10 cigars, black, *coarse roulette*, on medium wove with an indistinct *vertical* mesh, control number **9800010**, stamped ***Sample*** in purple script

★**RG-604** - 10 cigars, black, *coarse roulette*, on medium wove with an indistinct *vertical* mesh, control number **5283607**, roller cancelled **6-10-D** by "General Cigars", Montreal

4017628		RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, "H. Simon & Sons", Montreal - **38-10-D**
4278296★	05/27	RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, "Empire Tobacco", Granby - **5 1927 / 2-23-D**
4278299	05/27	RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, "Empire Tobacco", Granby - **5 1927 / 2-23-D**
4504295		RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, "Andrew Wilson", Toronto - **26-50-E**
4543521		RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, with an unreadable roller cancellation
4840534★	08/27	RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, "Empire Tobacco", Granby - **8 1927 / 2-23-D**
4840970	08/27	RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, "Empire Tobacco", Granby - **8 1927 / 2-23-D**
5183688		RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, "H. Simon & Sons", Montreal - **38-10-D**
5268898		RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, "Damase St. Maurice", Montreal - **10-10-D**
5283607★		RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, "L.O. Grothe", Montreal - **2-10-D**
5389206		RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, "L.O. Grothe", Montreal - **2-10-D**
5526258★	09/27	RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, "Empire Tobacco", Granby - **9 1927 / 2-23-D**
5542905★	10/27	RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, "Empire Tobacco", Granby - **10 1927 / 2-23-D**
5688722★	11/27	RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, "Empire Tobacco", Granby - **11 1927 / 2-23-D**
7845114		RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, "Leo Goulet", Montreal - **4-10-D**
7997465		RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, "L.O. Grothe", Montreal - **2-10-D**
8077418		RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, "H. Simon & Sons", Montreal - **34-10-D**
8127555		RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, "L.O. Grothe", Montreal - **2-10-D**
8146683		RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, "L.O. Grothe", Montreal - **2-10-D**
9143537★	08/29	RG-604 **	10 cigars, coarse roulette, on a fine wooden box of **B. & H. Invincibles**, by "Benson & Hedges", Montreal - **34-10-D** - bottom coded **29 8-29-9**
9688850		RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, by "H. Simon & Sons", Montreal - **38-10-D**
9800010★		RG-604 SP	10 cigars, coarse roulette, stamped ***Sample*** in purple script

A new control sequence has begun - it is probable that some of the above undated stamps fit into this sequence.

0713806★	09/29	RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, "Empire Tobacco", Granby - **2-23-D / 929**
2500795★	08/30	RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, "Empire Tobacco", Granby - **2-23-D / 830**
5512916★	08/32	RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, "Empire Tobacco", Granby - **2-23-D / 832**

The following strips, used late in 1938-40, are probably remainders from the stock of "General Cigars", or from "Customs & Excise", Ottawa. The ten cigar Series "C" was in use at this time.

6221195★	10/38	RG-604 **	10 cigars, coarse roulette, on a wooden box of **Wilson's Bachelor** by "General Cigars", Toronto - stamp coded **11-50-E / AID**
6270745★	10/39	RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette coded **11-50-E / 4 AJD**
6312361★	10/40	RG-604 **	10 cigars, coarse roulette, on a wooden box of **Punch Panetelas** by "General Cigars", Toronto - stamp coded **11-50-E / 2 AKD**
6328117★	11/40	RG-604 **	10 cigars, coarse roulette, on a wooden box of **Wilson's Bachelor** by "General Cigars", Toronto - stamp coded **11-50-E / 2 BKD**
6329535★	11/40	RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, "General Cigars", Toronto **11-50-E / 3 BKD**

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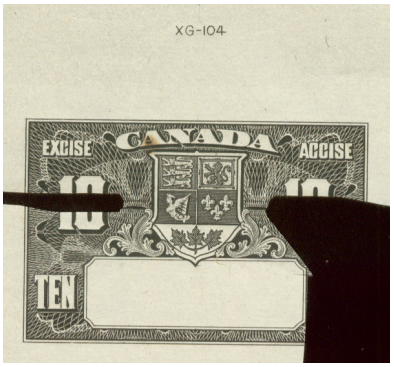
and then back to the regular listing, as used by Granby in 1934-36 prior to Series “C”

7235623★	04/34	RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, “Empire Tobacco”, Granby - **2-23-D / AB4**
7771251★	10/34	RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, “Empire Tobacco”, Granby - **2-23-D / AED**
7815782	12/34	RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, “Empire Tobacco”, Granby - **2-23-D / CED**
7851778	12/34	RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, “Empire Tobacco”, Granby - **2-23-D / CED**
7851784★	12/34	RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, “Empire Tobacco”, Granby - **2-23-D / CED**
7851796★	12/34	RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, “Empire Tobacco”, Granby - **2-23-D / CED**
8231675★	05/35	RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, “Empire Tobacco”, Granby - **2-23-D / BFB**
8338397	07/35	RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, “Empire Tobacco”, Granby - **2-23-D / AFC**
8867549	01/36	RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, “Empire Tobacco”, Granby - **2-23-D / AGA**
8889824★	01/36	RG-604	10 cigars, coarse roulette, “Empire Tobacco”, Granby - **2-23-D / AGA**

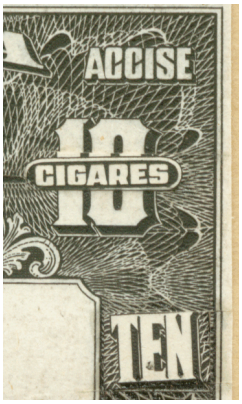
--- recess printed - on thin wove, with an indistinct *vertical* mesh, and *horizontal* ribbed lines ---



★**RG-606 DP** - 10 cigars, the *imperforate* die proof [XG-104],
on thin wove with an indistinct *vertical* mesh, and *horizontal* ribbed lines

Areas have been clipped from these die proofs, probably for the use as in *paste-up f*or another stamp.
[scanned at 100% scale]

★**RG-606 DP** - 10 cigars, a *paste-up imperforate* die proof - scanned from a 2⅜" x 3¼" card - see below



The previous *paste-up*, scanned at 200% scale. Why was **CIGARES** inserted at this time? Was the original die proof unilingual? If so why was **TEN** inserted at the lower right? This paste-up proof doesn't make much sense.

--- the ten Cigar Roll and Plates ---

[information from Chris Ryan]

In a memorandum to *D. Sims, Esq.* (Deputy Minister of National Revenue, Customs and Excise) dated June 14th 1944, *L. A. White* and *C.R. Coombs* record the destruction of the ABN / CBN cigar roll No. XG-321 for the Series "A" ten cigar 44 x 29 mm. bilingual stamp.

In a similar memorandum, dated June 8th 1944, they record the destruction of the ABN / CBN plates No. 1 and 2 for the ten cigar Series "A" 44 x 29 mm. bilingual stamp. The 150 impression plates were likely arranged 10 x 15 stamps.

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